## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

E. Altheimer et al.

Attorney Docket No.: NILE117421

Application No.: 09/892,199

Group Art Unit: 1731

Filed:

June 25, 2001

Examiner: M.S. Alvo

Title:

TOTAL CHLORINE FREE BLEACHING OF ARUNDO DONAX PULP

# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER/ PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

December 9, 2003

#### TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

## A. <u>Amendment Transmittal</u>

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

#### COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1	Claims Remaining		Highest Number			·			
	After		Previously		Present				Additional
1	Amendment		Paid For		Extra		Rate		Fee
Total Claims	11	-	20	=	0	Х	9	=	0
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	X	43	=	0
	TOTAL								\$0

## B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated June 9, 2003, set to expire on September 9, 2003, be extended by three months, to expire on December 9, 2003. The enclosed check includes the three-month extension fee of \$475.00.

## C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 152353 in the amount of \$475.00 to cover request for extension of time fee.

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## D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

Date:

e: *X/cc. 9. 2003* 

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